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	also the way to tackle their problems and fulfil their needs.	18.00
6.	**Mahila Mandal**	
	The Mahila Mandals arrange activities for women and children in their respective areas.	28.49
7.	**Family Counselling Centres**	
	The Family Counselling Centres provide counselling referal and, if possible, rehabilitative services to women victims of atrocities in the family and society and also to other affected by family and social problems and disputes.	13.79
8.	**Condensed Course of Education for Adult Women**	
	The scheme aims at providing education and relevant skills to women so that they become eligible for identifiable remunerative work opportunities to facilitate empowerment of women.	13.45
9.	**Creche for Children of Working and Ailing Mothers**	
	The programme of Creches for Children of Working and Ailing Mothers provides day care services to the children (0 to 5 years of age) of mothers from lower income groups families who are working or ailing.	45.12
10.	**Border Area Project**	
	The objective is to ensure emotional and cultural integration of the border area population with the rest of the country. Women and children in the remote border areas are provided services like craft training, maternity and child welfare, social education, medical aid, etc.	42.00

Increase in distant education centres

3200. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an unprecedented rise in the number of distant education centres attached to various universities and professional Institutes in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, university-wise and Institute-wise, during the last three years;

(c) whether Government are satisfied as to the quality of education and training in these education centres; and

(d) if not, the steps proposed to be taken to regulate the centres and their course contents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The details of Distance Education Centres/Institutes established during the last three years are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) and (d) The Distance Education Council (DEC), established under the Indira Gandhi National Open University Act, 1985 has been entrusted with the responsibility of maintenance of standards in Open and Distance Education System. The DEC provides financial support to Correspondence Course Institutes/Distance Education Centres to ensure certain basic minimum quality of the programmes and courses being offered. The DEC has also initiated a process for approval of Institutions/ programmes to ensure improvement in quality of education.

Statement

Distance Education Centres/Institutes established by Universities during the last three years

Sl. No.	Name of the University	Year of Establishment
1	2	3
1.	SPM Visvavidyalam, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh	2000
2.	Fakir Mohan University, Balasore	2000
3.	Bundelkhand University, Jhansi	2001
4.	Periyar University, Salem	2001
5.	Rajasthan Vidyapeeth, Udaipur, Rajasthan	2001
6.	NALSAR University, Hyderabad	2001

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7.	Tilak Manjhi Bhagalpur University, Bihar	2001
8.	Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh	2001
9.	Jadavpur University, Jadavpur, West Bengal	2002
10.	VBSP University, Jaunpur, Uttar Pradesh	2002
11.	Orissa University of Agriculture & Technology, Bhubneshwar, Orissa	2002
12.	Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh, Assam	2002
13.	Kanada University Hampi, Karnataka	2002
14.	Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology, Patiala	2002
15.	GRI Deemed University Gandhigram, Tamil Nadu	2002
16.	RS Vidyapeetha, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh	2002
17.	Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur	2002
18.	Kannur University, Kerala	2002
19.	Nagarjuna University, Nagarjuna Nagar	2002
20.	Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata	2002
21.	University of Kalyani, West Bengal	2002
22.	Gulbarga University, Gulbarga	2002
23.	Kumaun University, Garhwal, Uttaranchal	2002
24.	Birla Institute of Technology, MESRA, Jharkhand	2002
25.	IIIT & Management, Gwaliar, Madhya Pradesh	2002
26.	SCSV Mahavidyalaya, Kanchipuram, Tamil Nadu	2002
27.	Amravati University, Maharashtra	2002
28.	Dr. BRA University, Agra, Uttar Pradesh	2002
29.	BF University of Health Science, Faridkot, Punjab	2002
30.	Mangalore University Mangalore, Karnataka	2002
31.	Kuvempu University, Karnataka	2002
32.	University of Lucknow, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	2002
33.	North Orissa University, Orissa	2002
34.	SHANUMUGHA, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu	2002
35.	University of Mysore	2002
36.	Guru Nanak Dev University	2002
37.	SRTM University, Nanded, Maharashtra	2002